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FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

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My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter (an original, first and joint inventor) which is claimed and for which a utility patent is sought on the invention entitled:

POLYNUCLEOTIDES ENCODING MEMBERS OF THE HUMAN B LYMPHOCYTE ACTIVATION ANTIGEN B-7 FAMILY AND POLYPEPTIDES ENCODED THEREBY

the specification of which:

- was filed on February 26, 2002 as United States non-provisional application U.S.S.N. 10/069,626, bearing Attorney Docket No.15966-562 NATL.

is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

- I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119(a)-(d) or §365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or §365(a) of any PCT International application designating at least one country other than the United States listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) or §120 of any United States application(s), or §365(c) of any PCT International application(s) designating the United States of America listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application:

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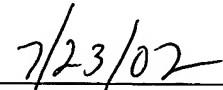
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